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Subject: RE: UIC toenail metals project

Hi Victoria, I checked with Brad Benning, EPA's On Scene Coordinator working on the soil testing on the southeast side. He told me that EPA sampled 104 properties, the city sampled 27 right of ways which were associated with an address, and 7 locations were co-sampled.

As Heriberto noted in his email to you, EPA is prohibited by law from sharing the names and addresses of residents whose properties were sampled. To identify residents for your study, you might consider working with the alderwoman's office to distribute a flyer or hold a meeting to solicit participants. The Southeast Environmental Task Force may also be willing to help get the word out to residents.

Best regards,
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Hi Phillippa, we are going ahead with the proposal to measure toenail metals in residents of homes from which you obtained soil I have a few questions about how many homes were sampled and was there overlap with what CDPH previously measured. This will help with our budget and sample size estimates. Is there a time we could talk? My office is 312 996 4783; cell 312 330 0805 Thanks, Vicky Persky

From: Leon, Heriberto <leon.heriberto@epa.gov>
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Hello Vicky,

1. I don't know of any instance where the Agency has contacted individuals, whose property the Agency sampled, on behalf of others seeking to conduct separate studies.
2. We will give a copy of the results letter to any property owner who requests it if they have lost them.

3. Specific addresses tested by the Agency is protected personally identifiable information under the Privacy Act of 1974, which therefore prevents the Agency from disclosing them.

I am out of the office next week through Thursday, February 21, but I'm copying my supervisor, Phillippa Cannon, in the event you have follow up questions regarding your inquiry. For technical questions about the site, the On Scene Coordinator of the SH Bell residential soil sampling study is Brad Benning, benning.bradley@epa.gov, 312-353-7619.



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Our specific questions are

1. Would EPA be willing to contact families in SE Chicago whose soil you tested to see if they are willing to have you give us their contact information?
2. If we identify separately families whose soil you tested – if they lost the values you gave them and they give permission would you send the results again to them and to us?
3. Through a data sharing agreement with our university (UIC) without contacting the residents first would you be willing to give us the addresses and manganese and other metal levels (if tested)?

Heriberto, in follow-up to our conversation about our proposed project analyzing toenail metals in families whose soil you measured for Mn in SE Chicago. We are responding to an RFA due in two weeks for pilot funds. Is there some chance we could work with you on this? My contact information is office number 312 996 4783, cell 312 330 0805, home 773 5287335. Is there a time we could talk with others there? Vicky Persky